

February 28, 2023

Edwin G. Buckner PE Compliance Office EPA Region 7, ECAD/CB/RCRA 11202 Renner BLVD. Lenexa, Kansas 55219

Re: AOC - Cocker No. RCRA-07-2022-0002

Dear Mr. Buckner,

In response to Reporting Requirements addressed in the above stated AOC please find actions undertaken, which at this point involve a submission of the ESE Sampling plan and subsequent comments by EPA.

If you should have additional questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Duane Berning, President

ESE Alcohol, Inc.

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Enclosures

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Pursuant to Section III, Paragraph 7 of the Work Plan attached to the Administrative Order on Consent dated November 1, 2022 between ESE Alcohol, Inc, Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. as Respondents, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Respondents hereby submit the following written progress report as of January 30, 2023 concerning actions undertaken pursuant to the Order

1) All significant developments during the preceding period, including the actions performed and any problems encountered:

Response: Sampling plan submitted and EPA response received 02-27-2023.

2) Data received during the reporting period:

Response: None

3) The development anticipated during the next reporting period, including a schedule of actions to be performed, anticipated problems, and planned resolutions of past or anticipated problems:

Response: Further discussion with EPA to fully develop sampling plan.

4) Copies of all documentation for disposals made during the month, demonstrating the proper disposition of the wastes:

Response: See Exhibit A - None

5) Before and after photographs of all Remediation Areas addressed during the month: Response: See Exhibit B - None

6) Copies of all testing and analysis, including sampling locations:

Response: See Exhibit C - None

7) Status of each Remediation Area:

Response: No change